



Thereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service as Express Mail, Airmail No. EV 544874525 US, in an envelope addressed to: MSAFC, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the date shown below.

Dated: October 7, 2005

Signature:

*Georgina Matos*  
(Georgina Matos)

Docket No.: 377882001300  
(PATENT)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
Gary VAN NEST et al.

Confirmation No.: 7011

Application No.: 09/802,445

Art Unit: 1648

Filed: March 9, 2001

Examiner: Z. Lucas

For: METHODS OF REDUCING  
PAPILLOMAVIRUS INFECTION USING  
IMMUNOMODULATORY  
POLYNUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCES

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION (37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.116)**

*okay to  
enter  
32*

MS AF  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the final Office Action dated April 7, 2005, for which a response was due on July 7, 2005. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a three months extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to October 7, 2005. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Submitted concurrently herewith is Notice of Appeal along with the appropriate fee.

Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.